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SUBJ: PERMREPS LUNCHEON, JUNE 24

GENEVA FOR USDEL CSCE

SUMMARY: AT THEIR REGULAR TUESDAY LUNCHEON, JUNE 24, PERMREPS THANKED US FOR RECENT HOSPITALITY, CAME CLOSE TO AGREEMENT ON DATE FOR SPRING 1976 NAC MINISTERIAL, DISCUSSED SOVIET INITIATIVE ON CSCE FINALE, SYG'S GREECE-TURKEY-CYPRUS "WATCHING BRIEF", AND MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE. END SUMMARY.

1. SYG LUNS, SPEAKING FOR ALL THE ALLIES, EXPRESSED THANKS TO PRESIDENT FORD AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR THE INTERESTING AND EXCELLENT VISIT ALLIED OFFICIALS HAD RECENTLY MADE TO AMERICA.

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2. DISCUSSIONS REFLECTED THAT ALL OF THE ALLIES, EXCEPT TURKEY- WHICH WILL HAVE AN ANSWER BY THE END OF THE CURRENT WEEK - CAN ACCEPT MAY 19-20 AS THE DATES FOR THE NAC SPRING 1976 MINISTERIAL IN OSLO.

3. AMBASSADOR BRUCE NOTED THAT SALT RESUMPTION WOULD BE POSTPONED FROM JUNE 23 TO JULY 2. HE ADDED THAT IN WASHINGTON HE HAD SEEN AMBASSADOR JOHNSON, WHO SUGGESTED THAT HE SAW LITTLE VIRTUE IN HIS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL UNTIL SOME TIME AFTER THE SALT TALKS RESUME IN GENEVA.

4. AMBASSADOR DE FREITAS CRUZ (PORTUGAL) PROMISED TO INFORM THE COUNCIL SOON ON COSTA GOMES' TRIP TO ROMANIA (SEE SEPTTEL).

5. AMBASSADOR DE STAERCKE (BELGIUM) REFERRED TO BREZHNEV'S LETTER TO ALLIES URGING CONVENING OF CSCE SUMMIT ON JULY 22 OR SHORTLY THEREAFTER. WHILE AWARE OF SOVIET DEMARCHE, OTHER PERMREPS DID NOT OFFER DETAIL BUT AGREED TO DISCUSS MATTER AT JUNE 25 NAC (SEE SEPTTEL).

6. AMBASSADOR THEODOROPOULOS (GREECE) ASKED WHAT AMB. DE STAERCKE HAD MEANT BY HIS STATEMENT ON GREEK-TURKISH RELATIONS AT THE PERMREPS' MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD. DE STAERCKE REPLIED THAT HE HAD WANTED TO CALL THE PRESIDENT'S ATTENTION TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S "WATCHING BRIEF".

7. IN RELATED MATTER, AMBASSADOR ERALP (TURKEY) MENTIONED THAT THERE WAS A SUGGESTION THAT SYG LUNS MIGHT WRITE A LETTER COMMENTING ON THE TURKISH NOTE TO U.S. OF JUNE 17, AND VENTURED THE OPINION THAT SUCH A LETTER WOULD BE UNWISE SINCE IT WOULD ELICIT REPLIES.

8. SYG LUNS RAISED THE SUBJECT OF THE PROPOSED FOOTNOTE ON COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS IN THE MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT. AMBASSADOR HARTOGH (NETHERLANDS) REPLIED THAT DUTCH MOD VREDELING STILL INSISTED ON THE FOOTNOTE. AMBASSADOR BRUCE NOTED THAT HE WAS UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO RESIST A FOOTNOTE OR ANY OTHER SPECIAL RECOGNITION IN THE IMINISTERIAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS POSITION. SINCE DUTCH ARE IN A MINORITY OF ONE ON THIS SUBJECT, PERMREPS DECIDED TO DISCUSS IT FURTHER IN THE DPC (SEE SEPTTEL REPORTING ON JUNE 25 SPECIAL DPC MEETING). BRUCE
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